

New Bedford Dec. 21. 1838.

Friend Deborah.

It is so long since you have seen me. I fear you may have almost forgotten my existence. But no, that cannot be; for I remember now our mutual friend Miss Osgood delivered a message to me the other day from you. — So you still bear me and mine in remembrance, and be assured you are frequently the subject of conversation with Mrs. E. and myself. — I am still a Pedagogue, and stand at the head of the Grammar School, with a Male and Female Assistant and about 80 scholars. — My situation is in the main a pleasant one. —

Now for a little matter of business — which is my principal object in writing. — You recollect Mrs. Howland, who boarded with us at the Mansion House. — She wants a private Teacher for her daughter, Avice, whom you probably recollect. — She called upon us a few days ago, and expressed a wish for me to write you upon the subject, to ascertain whether you would like to return to New Bedford in that capacity. She thinks you would be the very person for the place and as we agree with her in that opinion

and moreover ardently desire your return
to our village. we hope you will think
favourably of the proposition. I do not, of course,
know any thing of your present engagements; but if
you are not occupied and wish for a situation
as teacher, I should think this an eligible one.
Mrs. Howland is a very estimable roomer, and
I should think her family would be a
pleasant one. — — — If you are disposed to
negotiate in the matter, perhaps you had
better communicate with me first in answer
to this, and then probably you would receive
a letter from Mrs. H. — — Please answer
this at the earliest moment, as Mrs. H. wishes
the matter despatched. —

Mrs. E. sends much love and
unites with me in a strong desire to have
you once more in our vicinity. — My kind
regards to all your friends. —

Yours affectionately
John F. Emerson. —



No. 111.

Friend

Wm. Lloyd Garrison



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